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Announcement of Next Meeting Date and Agenda of Consumer Advisory Committee

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") announces the date and agenda of the next meeting of its Consumer Advisory Committee ("Committee").

Purpose & Functions

The purpose of the Committee is to make recommendations to the Commission regarding consumer issues within the jurisdiction of the Commission and to facilitate the participation of consumers (including people with disabilities and underserved populations, such as Native Americans and persons living in rural areas) in proceedings before the Commission.

Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Friday, November 19, 2004, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., at the Commission's Headquarters Building, Room TW-C305, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554.

Meeting Agenda

At its November 19, 2004 meeting, the Committee will (1) receive briefings by FCC staff regarding Agency activities; (2) receive a report and recommendations from its Broadband Working Group with regard to digital television and the Commission's DTV outreach campaign; (3) Receive a report and recommendations from its Consumer Complaints, Education and Outreach working group regarding improvements to the Commissions quarterly report of informal complaints and inquiries; (4) Receive a report and recommendations from its competition Policy working group regarding consumer issues in competition policy; and (5) Receive a report and recommendations from its Homeland Security working group regarding emergency communications. The Committee may also receive a recommendation regarding renewal of the Consumer Advisory Committee charter and membership. The full Committee may take action on any or all of these agenda items. The Committee will also receive a briefing on the latest wireless solutions for people who are blind or visually impaired.

The Committee is organized under, and operates in accordance with, the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., App. 2 (1988). Minutes of meetings are available for public inspection at the FCC. Members of the public may address the Committee or may send written comments to: Scott Marshall, Designated Federal Officer of the Committee. scott.marshall@fcc.gov.

The meeting site is fully accessible to people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids. Meeting agendas and handouts will be provided in accessible formats; sign language interpreters, open captioning, and assistive listening devices will be provided on site. The meeting will be webcast with open captioning at http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/cac. Request other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities as early as possible; please allow at least 5 days advance notice. Include a description of the accommodation you will need including as much detail as you can. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to: fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

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